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**Sent:** Sun 8/9/2015 9:54:59 PM  
**Subject:** FW: Questions from irrigators

FYI. In a few minutes I'm getting on a call with ATSDR and a few R6 colleagues +/- a few NM water quality folks to begin these discussions. Assistant City Manager for Durago will be on the call since usual water system manager is out of town.

Call if questions. I'll drop you an email letting you know how it goes.

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**Cc:** Julie Westendorff; Gwen Lachelt; OBrien, Wendy; CJ Mucklow (EID); Perry Cabot; Bonnie Hopkins  
**Subject:** Re: Questions from irrigators

I can come up right now, be there around 3:30 before the public meeting, or after the meeting tonight.

Bonnie Hopkins

San Juan county NM

Sent from my iPhone

On Aug 9, 2015, at 1:51 PM, Darrin Parmenter <[Darrin.Parmenter@co.laplata.co.us](mailto:Darrin.Parmenter@co.laplata.co.us)> wrote:

Thanks for this Julie. I have cc'ed our Water Specialist, Perry Cabot, and our contact at the EPA, Wendy O'Brien, on this email as well.

I can formulate a list of question today or tomorrow, but I feel as if it may be wise to at least offer a Q&A session for irrigators from the Animas. It would be ideal to have folks from the EPA (or other organizations of knowledge) and Perry there to at least provide some guidance.

Best case scenario is this week, as irrigators will be needing to apply water, especially to annuals and potted material, as soon as possible.

If everyone could respond with availability we could get this under way and I can send something out.

Cheers

Darrin

Sent from my iPad

On Aug 9, 2015, at 10:02 AM, Julie Westendorff <[Julie.Westendorff@co.laplata.co.us](mailto:Julie.Westendorff@co.laplata.co.us)> wrote:

Hi Darrin,

Can you compose a list of questions of relevance to irrigators and agriculturists that I can circulate?

We have Sens. Bennet and Gardner here and they heard from 3 people about the need for guidance to irrigators, ditch companies, and produce growers.

FYI - pH has returned to normal in the City. We don't have data on what is suspended in the water yet. Mountain Studies Institute is collecting samples and seems to be turning it around pretty quickly, but every sediment has to be collected, and then allowed to settle for 48 hours, I believe. So all tests on particulate take awhile.

Also could you call me re: CSU contact when you have time?

Thanks.

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